

1 A JOINT MEMORIAL

2 RECOGNIZING THE FIRST SATURDAY OF AUGUST AS "YOUTH DAY" AND
3 REQUESTING NEW MEXICO'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO PURSUE
4 FEDERAL RECOGNITION OF THE DAY.

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6 WHEREAS, New Mexico is blessed to have more than five
7 hundred thousand people under the age of eighteen among its
8 population; and

9 WHEREAS, New Mexico's youth should be encouraged to
10 participate in socially and culturally appropriate activities
11 that reinforce positive behavior by strengthening their bonds
12 with their parents, guardians and mentors; and

13 WHEREAS, providing New Mexico's youth with a positive
14 means of self-expression; strong, confident and appropriate
15 role models; and methods to promote a healthy family
16 structure will benefit all of New Mexico's residents as
17 today's youth become tomorrow's strong leaders; and

18 WHEREAS, the designation of a "Youth Day" in New Mexico
19 could lead to national recognition of such a day and would
20 provide young people everywhere with the opportunity to
21 receive the support, congratulations and positive
22 acknowledgment that can help them achieve their dreams; and

23 WHEREAS, Governor Bill Richardson by proclamation has
24 recognized the first Saturday of August to be "Youth Day";

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE

1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that it recognize the first Saturday of
2 every August to be "Youth Day" and that all New Mexicans be
3 encouraged on that day to recognize and celebrate the
4 contributions that New Mexico's youth make each day to our
5 state; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of New Mexico's
7 congressional delegation be requested to pursue the federal
8 designation of the first Saturday of every August to be
9 "Youth Day"; and

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
11 transmitted to the governor and the members of the state's
12 congressional delegation. _____

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